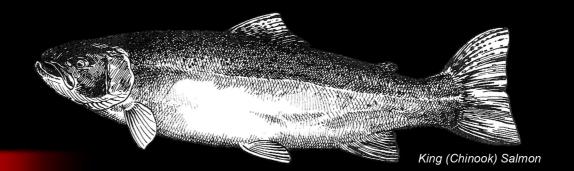
## Eat Wild - Live Healthy



## Health

- ✓ Farm-raised salmon mature in crowded pens and receive *antibiotics*, *vaccines*, and other *chemicals* to prevent the spread of disease. These elements, many considered *cancerous*, accumulate in the flesh of the farm-raised salmon. Levels of chlorinated pesticides, dioxins, PCBs and other contaminants are up to 10 times greater in farm-raised salmon than in wild Pacific salmon.
- ✓ They consume *chemically* formulated fish chow and *pink dyes* to add artificial color to their normally pale gray flesh.
- ✓ Using the US EPA consumption advisory for *cancer*, the following consumption restrictions general public are advised for farm-raised salmon:

North America – 1 serving every 2.5 months

South America – 1 serving per month

Europe -1 serving every 5 months

✓ **Frequent** and **excessive** use of antibiotics poses a risk to human health by allowing disease microbes to become **resistant** to antibiotic treatments making it more difficult to treat human disease.

## **Environment**

- ✓ Farm-raised salmon regularly *escape* from man-made pens and *compete* with local wild salmon for food and habitat, creating *invasive species* that displace Pacific salmon.
- ✓ Salmon farms *pollute* the environment with waste, uneaten food, chemicals, and antibiotics.
- ✓ *Diseases* from farm-raised salmon *spread* to native fish populations.

## **Economy**

- ✓ Salmon farms *threaten* local fishing businesses and *affect economies* of the local fishing communities.
- ✓ Fishing constitutes the *economic backbone* of many communities of the Northwest.
- ✓ Buying local helps keep money in the county creating a *multiplier effect* within the local economy.
- ✓ In NW Washington, certain wild salmon prices *remain competitive* with farm-raised salmon, making it an affordable and healthy alternative.

